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Hongkong, October 8, 1896. 268

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Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 268

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Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 171

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Today was observed as the birthday of His Imperial Japanese Majesty.

Captain Biggs, R.N. late of the *Pique*, will go home invalided by the English mail on Thursday.

H.M.S. *Centurion* is expected on November 13 from the North. The *Albatross* will probably arrive here on the 11th, and will go into dock.

H.M.S. *Linnet* will reach Hongkong about the end of the month from Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki. She will then proceed to Singapore.

A special telegram to the *Japan Mail*, dated Hakodate, October 25, states "H.M.S. *Plover* being overdue from Robben Island, the *Albatross* was despatched from this port to search for her on Saturday morning. Nothing had been heard of the *Plover* since she left Saghalien on October 15.

Last week a collision took place off Point Santiago in the Philippines, between the *s.s. Lusan* and the *s.s. Santander*. The *Lusan* sank. The crew of the *Santander* are reported safe, but the Chinese passengers were all drowned. The *Lusan* was an old China coaster, formerly named the *Compass*.

A Chinese boy who had swindled two Chinese women of \$3.40 and \$1.40 by means of the gold nugget trick was brought before Commander Hastings to-day at the Magistrate's. Yesterday, along with another boy, he represented to the women that he had been working on the hill and found some nuggets of gold which he offered to sell to the women. After purchasing the nuggets the women found they were made of brass, and had been covered with earth to support the statement they were found on the hillside. The boy was sentenced to ten days' hard labour on each charge, and was ordered to be afterwards sent to the Reformatory for three years.

Mr. N. Lazarus, Oculist-Optician of London and Calcutta, arrived yesterday by the English mail steamer *Arcturion*, and he has established himself in the Hongkong Hotel, during the short period of his stay. Mr. Lazarus is possessed of the highest credentials, and his patrons are scattered all over the world. The atmospheric conditions of our climate are peculiarly trying to the eyes, and it is not frequently that means are taken to preserve the eye-sight. There are many symptoms of deformity in the eye, and when these symptoms first make their appearance preventative measures ought to be taken so that the eye may be saved, permanent injury. Mr. Lazarus may be consulted at the Hotel.

This monthly carbine competitions of the Maxim Gun Company of the Volunteer Corps for a cup and spoons were resumed on Saturday last on the Police Range, Kowloon. The competition was over the 200 and 400 yards distances. The cup, which is a very handsome one, was presented by a gentleman who takes a great interest in the Volunteers. Owing to the unsettled state of the weather only eight competitors were present. Gunner A. H. Skelton won the cup with the good score of 65, including 7 points handicap. The spoons were won by Gunner Skelton and Corporal Crombie. With the exception of the score made by Gunner Skelton there was no score of special prominence. It is to be hoped that members of the Company will make a special endeavour to attend the proceedings, so that greater interest may be aroused in the contests.

A RAVENNA peculiar case came before Commander Hastings, at the Magistrate's to-day, wherein two boys in the employ of the British Mercantile Marine Officers Association were charged with the larceny of \$49.50. The steward of the Institute, Mr. W. Candler, gave evidence. The money was taken from the safe in the office. At eleven o'clock on the night of November 1, he went to bed. The key of the safe was in the left hand pocket of his trousers, which were hanging up in the room. The two defendants slept in the passage one of them before the door of the office. He got up about five o'clock next morning, and one of the boys came and asked him to go and have a look at the safe. He found the safe door open, the cash box lying on the top of the cash box. A sum of \$49.50 had been abstracted, but \$24.00 being the subscription money which he had gathered during the last month, when he was lying in the hospital, he placed a piece of paper, had not been touched. He immediately sent to No. 2 Police Station information of the occurrence, and Inspector Mann visited the house afterwards and made inquiries. The two boys under arrest were the only persons on the premises consistent with the possibility of the safe. The safe would not open without turning the door. He was of opinion that the boys could not have been committed by some person connected with the house. The case was remanded all to appear at the next court.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

(Supplied to the "China Mail.")

London, November 1, 1898.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN ELECTED RECTOR OF THE GLASGOW UNIVERSITY.

Mr. Chamberlain has been elected rector of the Glasgow University.

CLERICAL NEWS.

The Bishop of Peterboro has been appointed to the bishopric of London.

SERIOUS FLOODS IN FRANCE.

Serious floods have occurred in France.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

One hundred and thirty thousand business men of New York paraded the City in favour of McKinley and sound money; immense enthusiasm prevailed.

The Republicans, while professing the utmost confidence, admit the existence of a large doubtful vote.

(Special telegram to the "N.O. Daily News.")

THE PLAGUE IN FORMOSA.

Yesterday three, and to-day twenty, cases of plague have been reported among Chinese and Japanese inside the city.

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory.

On the 3rd at 11.15 a. Low pressure still covers the extreme North with a further fall of the barometer at Vladivostok and on the E. coast of China. Gradual rise is slight on the China Coast. Forecast: light E. to N. winds; fair.

THE REBELLION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

A SPANISH MAIL.

ADVICE TO THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT.

We are asked to give publicity to the following letter by the author, who does not enclose his card or give any indication of his personality. The letter was handed into our office to-day by a messenger who stated he came from one of the steamers in the harbour. It bore no mark, and has been apparently smuggled up to Hongkong from Manila. The writer is evidently a Spaniard from the language used throughout the letter, and we produce the letter with all its peculiarities of syntax.

To the Editor of the "China Mail," Hongkong.

DEAR SIR.—It is a matter of regret to any impartial people to see the wrong appreciation the civilised world gives upon this important subject. We can only account for these erroneous views to the unreliable direct information the European press has obtained from those who obtained from Manila papers, which are, of course edited by Spaniards, whose ideas upon this matter are entirely subject to suit their convenience, taking no regard whatever to the justice and complete of those oppressed and unfortunate natives.

There is nothing more erroneous than to think that the Philippine natives have rebelled against the Spanish Nation, and the true situation, as most people seem to think, these natives have rebelled against the corrupted Spanish Nation, the so-called representatives of the Religion, whose oppressions and injustices they have suffered with remarkable resolution for many years back, but the day has now come that no further forbearance can be endured, so they are determined to give the last blow, which will serve as a severe lesson to both oppressors; therefore we consider their action justified to a great extent.

If Spain Government neglects now to take a firm measure upon the evil by applying strong and radical remedy we should not be at the least surprised to see this country under constant troubles, no matter what military forces Spain may bring into it.

The natives demand nothing more than their rights and justice re-instituted to them. They must have them or burst up.

If any man was allowed to make a close and careful investigation upon the cause which has produced these deplorable effects which we all lament we are quite sure he will disclose ample facts enough to convince any civilised nation that the natives have been disgracefully injured in their personal rights, and interests both by the corrupted Spanish Government Official and the corrupted Ministry of the Colonies (Priests) in the Philippines. We sincerely consider that under the present circumstances the only advisable step to employ by the Spanish Government would be to make full investigation both as regards the conduct of the officials and the natives, and if they disclose any trace of misbehaviour (as we fully expect they will) on the part of either, expel them from the country without loss of time in order to secure the pacification.

On 1st day of last century, for God's sake acknowledge your own fault. If you allowed these your so-called pacified children a little self-education and attended with motherly care to their old complaints, you would probably have received no disturbance, and your country would have been a happy land.

General.—The usual attention has been given to the water works attended to. The water wheel may be said to be in good order. Houses for work people and fuel stores have been replaced those destroyed by the recent fire. The track from this Camp to Unbau has been cleared and put in fairly good order and the site of old workings there cleared of jungle preparatory to sinking a new shaft to further test the reef on which people are now working, and a new shaft for a truck from Unbau to the Jela River, a distance of about four miles, has also been made.

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ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The members of this Club had a most enjoyable outing on Sunday last, being favoured with a blue breeze and a cloudy sky. It was the opening cruise of the season, and the Commodore of the Club, Mr. F. H. May, led the way from the moorings in his new boat, the *Li-Chi*, which was the first anchored. He was followed by *Eric*, Mr. H. M. Dunsen's new boat, *Admiral* (late *Eric*), Mr. Pollock; *Maid Marian*, Messrs J. Hastings, and Platt and Capt. Loveland; *Meteor*, Messrs Lammont, Donald and Kew; *She*, Messrs Hazell and Maugham; *Chanticleer*, Messrs Jones and Stewart; *Princess*, Mr. McKie; *Dart*, Mr. Clark; and *Seabreeze*, Captain Stirling and Captain Long.

In the afternoon, a Ladies' race was started from the *Victoria*, in which H. C. General Black and a brilliant start had come over to join the fleet. The following boats started in a light north wind:—

Active, owned by Mrs. Gedge.

Meteor, owned by Mrs. G. P. Lamington.

Princess, owned by Mrs. Carrington.

Phoebe, owned by Mrs. Wilmam.

Eric, owned by Miss Black.

Chanticleer, owned by Mrs. Denison.

Dart, owned by Mrs. Hastings.

She, owned by Mrs. Clark.

Seabreeze, owned by Mrs. Moagham.

The boats divided into two detachments.

The Meteor, Maid Marian, Phoebe, Active and Eric rounded the *Huigei* in the order named, about 30 seconds dividing first and last of them. The others followed at some distance.

A reach brought them to Cosmopolitan Dock buoy, where Eric just cut out Active. A close race home and the Meteor crossed the line two seconds in front of Maid Marian and six or seven seconds in front of the others. The prizes were presented to the winners after the race in a very informal manner by Mrs. May. The fleet then dispersed and sailed back to the moorings.

THE NEW BOATS.

As this was the first appearance of the new boats in company, a few remarks on them will be interesting.

The Phoebe is a very fast boat of the wind, but close-hauled she did not appear to go so well as some of the others. She is rather tender, heeling freely to a moderate breeze.

The Eric is a good all-round boat, running with the wind and being apparently her worst point.

The Meteor was most likely prove the best light weather boat of the fleet, her speed in light airs being simply marvellous, but she is far from stiff and in a strong breeze will probably be beaten.

The Chanticleer did not have a chance to distinguish herself, as she was out of the fleet, but when her helmman and crew gain a little experience no doubt she will be all right, if looks go for anything.

The Meteor and Eric went well, especially the former, and the new boats will have all their work cut out to beat them.

The first race is to take place on the 15th November.

THE PUNJOM MINING CO., (LIMITED).

The Secretary of the Punjom Mining Company, Limited, advises the Board for the month of September from the Manager at the Mines.

Mining.—This has had our best attention and fair progress has again been made. August 28th, 300 ft. level. This continues to yield a large proportion of our output of ore and from appearances will do so for some time to come. The grade is low but it has improved some what since the month. The drive on Gillies Reef has been continued, but I regret to say nothing of value has been reached. The North drive on the course of the North and South Reef is being driven in good looking "formation," but up to this time it is without ore. The stopes on both the East and West and North and South reefs are without change to notice and will give their usual quantity of ore for the Mill.

Intermediate Level.—I am pleased to be able to report an improvement in the quality of the ore won from this point, and it is to the stopes here that the credit must be given, but I regret to say that the output of Gold for the month. The Drive going west has not yet reached the reef but will do so within the next few days.

110 ft. Level.—There is no change to report in the stopes here. A winch has now been commenced to connect with the stopes at the Intermediate Level.

The South Level on the course of the North and South Reef has not yet reached anything of value.

New Leader.—The ore won from the various points at work here shows an improvement, both in quality and quantity compared with August.

Drivage.—Drivage for the month, 600' 6". Ore mined, 1,145 Tons made up as follows:—

August Shift, 612 Tons

New Shift, 533 Tons

Milling.—This was carried on during 28 days.

crushing, 1,145 Tons

yielding, 574 ozs 12 dwts.

of smelted gold.

Goldworking Works.—These works were 23 days working last month, and yielded 80 ozs. of melted gold. The old earth furnace has been taken down and replaced entirely with brick made on the ground. It is now a really good job done and should soon repay for itself in the lesser consumption of fuel.

General Works.—This plant ran 22 days treating 720 tons of Tailings yielding 323 ounces of Bullion valued at £1,134, 13s. 6d. per ounce.

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